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In re Applicant:

Daniel Xu

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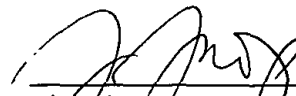
Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed July 22, 2003, applicant elects Species I (claims 1-12) without traverse.

Please cancel claims 23-30.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: July 30, 2003



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